To-day, partly cloudy. To-morrow, fair; north winds.

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Will Run for District Attorney on

Electors' Petition. District Attorney Jerome last night issued a formal statement, in which he declared he was a candidate for the office of District Attorney,

and did not desire to be a candidate for the office of Mayor of the city of New-York. uncement sets forth that if "there are 2,000 electors in the county of New-York who desire him to run again for the office of

District Attorney of that county," he will cause a petition to be filed nominating him. The District Attorney defined in detail his observation of the nominating powers of political parties, and, after discussing them, says: "The result is that one in public office usually has to choose between a termination of his public

career or subserviency to one man or group of

He says that if the people, by their ballots. wish him to retire from public office there will be no choice but for him to return to the practice of law. "But." he says, "I do not propose to remain in office by the grace of any man or group of men, such as I have indicated, and I shall retire from office only in consequence of the mandate of the people."

It is said that there have been no offers of office by any political party to Mr. Jerome, but on this subject he refused to talk. He also refused to expand on the statement he made, and refused to go into any details at this time, as to his reasons for his action.

Mr. Jerome said:

I do not desire. I never have desired, to be a candidate for the office of Mayor of the city of New-York, or to be Mayor of the city. I desire to serve another term as District Atorney of New-York County.

I have served in this office for three and a half years as faithfully as I knew how. I believe I have served efficiently. I believe I have served efficiently.

we served efficiently. I beneve I has nestly. I do not claim that I have not made mistakes man can insure his integrity, but not the inmibility of his judgment. I am not and never we been a member of any political organization, though a Democrat in national politics. It cams to me that the issues which divide the people in national political affairs have no real application to the questions which arise in State and the affairs.

bend affairs.

It seems to me that one of the greatest evils of he present time is that small groups of men have—and not infrequently a single man has—obtained entrol of the executive machinery of party organizations and nominating conventions, and stood between public service and the voters. The result is hat one in public office usually has to choose between a termination of his public career or sub-erviency to such a man or group of men. The miblic officer, as a consequence, frequently feels o responsibility to the people, but only to those the can secure for him a return to office a of thism. spensibility to the people, but only to those can secure for him a return to office or future

notion.

I the exercise of this power such men and ups of men are wholly selfish, almost entirely sponsible, and not infrequently corrupt.

man who works with such a group and receives ore at their hands comes under implicit obligations at their hands comes under implicit obligations.

at their hands comes under implicit obliga-blich cannot honorably be disregarded. He take office by their favor and still be free with them and their demands as his oath of

flice requires.

These statements I have frequently made in pubas to the duties of a citizen I believe and still
dieve to be true, and I am determined to act in
cordance with them.

Should the people of New-York County desire me
serve them for four years more as District Atricy I shall gladly accept the office at their
ods. I shall feel that my obligation is to them
of I shall serve them faithfully and as efficiently
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In not propose to remain in office by the my man or group of men such as I have and I shall retire from office only in constitution of the mandate of the people. I mean that, and I know of no way other than deed by the election law of ascertaining people desire in such a matter.

If at the proper time there are two electors in the county of New-York who have me run again for the office of District of the people of the county I shall cause a petified nominating me for election to that in this way submit it to the people of y to say whether or not they desire me hem for another term in the office I now triends it is not necessary to may that

hold. To my friends it is not necessary to say that there have been absolutely no dealings with any political arganization, political leader or group of politicians with reference to my candidacy to this or any other office, and that I am now simply making public a purpose formed and communicated to a number of my friends as early as February of

Then the members of the Democratic City Committee and other Democrats at the Democratic Club last night heard of Mr. Jerome's ciamento, most of them refused to discuss his statement at all. When Senator Mc-Carren was told about it he said:

"Well, that's out of my balliwick; that's a matter for Manhattan."

Patrick Keenan, City Chamberlain, said: "Jerome's got a perfect right to run. Any American

John F. Ahearn, President of the Borough of and Edward J. McGuire were similarly uncommunicative of their views.

torney Jerome has declared that he wishes to be renominated for the office of District Attorney; that he is tired of false rule of either party: that he is going to be renominated, even says, if re-elected, 'Let the bosses look out.' "

Mr. Murphy took his spectacle case out of his pocket, opened the case, took out the glasses, put them on his nose, took them off again, put them back in the case, replaced the case in his pocket and said: "I have nothing to say."

He was then told about the interview with Mr. Cutting and, without putting on his glasses,

"I have nothing to say."

Thomas J. McManus, who is fighting for the leadership with former Senator G. W. Plunkitt in the 15th Assembly District, was asked what he had to say. He replied:

"Until I read it I have nothing to say." District Attorney Jerome and Mr. Corrigan,

one of his aids, called at the City Club. They remained only ten minutes, as none of the members were about. The Rev. Thomas R. Slicer was in the country, R. Fulton Cutting out of the city, Secretary Lawrence Veiller on his vacation, and none of the other well known members visited the club.

There were none of the well known politicians or club members at the Union League or Republican Club, and none of the well known men were around the Fifth Avenue Hotel or the Hoff-

An effort was made to see Lieutenant Governor M. Linn Bruce, County Clerk Thomas L. Hamilton and Edward Lauterbach, but they Were not at home and could not be found.

FRIEND'S HUG BREAKS RIB.

Swampscott Maiden's Moonlight Stroll Has Painful End.

Swampscott, Mass, July 31.—Miss Bessie Hayes, a summer resident of this town, is lying swathed in bandages at the Ocean House, the resuit of too vicious a hug by her friend, Alfred

£ Tyrrell, in a moonlight stroll. While walking on the beach Tyrreli seized Miss Hayes about the weist and gave her a hug so bearlike in its force that he broke one of her ribs, though she did not discover the fact until later that night.

SAYS HE'S INDEPENDENT. Blow Up Third-Ave. Cigar Store Strong Box with Dynamite.

Some time between 5 and 9 o'clock yesterday morning the safe in the cigar store and billiard and pool parlor of Charles Armbruster & Co., at No. 1,319 3d-ave., was cracked by men apparently experts at the operation, and money and jewelry to the amount of \$4,000

The safe stood behind the cigar counter, within ien feet of the door. The curtains were down, and a light burned over the safe, so that any one could have been seen at work from the street. The clock directly over the safe stopped at 5:40 o'clock, which would seem to indicate that it was at that hour that the exosion took place. No noise, however, was heard by any of the tenants of the building, and the police are at a loss for clews to lead to the apprehension of those who committed

J. N. Schneider, the manager of the place, locked the safe and the doors, suspending business for the night at 4 a. m. yesterday. Everything was in its usual shape. Nine o'clock in the morning, when the day manager, Larry Purcell, arrived at the store to open it, he was surprised to find a little dog, which is generally kept in all night, out in front of the store. He opened the door, and when he went behind the counter found in the front of the safe a gaping hole a foot in diameter.

Around the safe were wound the covers that had been placed on the pool tables the night before, while soapstone was plentifully scattered about the floor, it having been used as a lubri-

The door had been pierced by a %-inch drill and a charge of dynamite or nitro glycerine exploded. It was then a simple matter to insert a hand and extract the contents of the safe.

PIRATES UNDER FIRE.

Two Escape Harbor Police After Abandoning Boat.

River pirates fied from the bullets of a crew of harbor police last night along the Brooklyn shore. They were chased for a mile, and finally escaped, after abandoning their boat.

The boat was nineteen feet long and contained a motor. It was loaded with three bales of cotton. The craft was over a mile away, off Coffeest., Brooklyn, when sighted by Roundsman Mullhall. He ordered full speed on his launch, No. 5, and made directly for the craft. Two men who were in the boat pulled hard at two pairs of oars and the motor helped.

Finally Mullhalll and Patrolman Sheehey drew their revolvers and fired several shots. They were too far off to do any damage, and the pirates steered into the Erie Basin and out of sight. The launch found the boat near a pier.

The pirates had climbed to the pier and escaped. Though the stencil marks were obliterated from the bales of cotton there were tags which showed that the cotton probably belonged to the North Texas Warehouse Company, of Gainesville, Texas. Acting Captain Mott, of the Harbor Police, said last night that he had sent two Policeman Scruples to Enter Saloon detectives to look for two men whom his men arrested three months ago in the same boat. These men were finally discharged in court and the boat restored to them, though the police still believe the cargo of cocoa beans they had was

DROWNED IN CREEK.

Girl Seized with Cramps in Seven Feet of Water.

Miss Emma McKay, eighteen years old, of Yonkers, was drowned yesterday while bathing in Richmond Creek, Staten Island. Herman Daley, who was bathing with Miss McKay, had a narrow escape from drowning in trying to rescue her. Miss McKay, accompanied by Miss Etta Daley, came to Richmond on Sunday to spend a few days with Miss Daley's brother, Herman, who is boarding there.

There is only seven feet of water in the creek at high tide. After the two got into the water they started to swim across the creek to the other side. In the middle of the creek Miss McKay was seized with cramps. As she sank beneath the surface she grabbed hold of Mashattan, refused to say anything. Louis F. Daley, who, being unable to free himself, went and Davis-ave., where the alderman bought Haffen, President of the Borough of The Bronx, down with her. As they came to the surface cigars for the crowd. From this place the party again, Daley took hold of Miss McKay by the waist, and, after much difficulty, succeeded in "Mr. Murphy," said a reporter, "District At- getting her ashore, but not until she was completely exhausted.

Dr. Jessup was hastily summoned, but before he arrived Miss McKay died. Miss McKay's tion of the offenders. mother died some time ago, and since her death though it has to be done by petition. Then, he she had been living with Miss Daley's parents

His Skull Fractured in Runaway at Norfolk.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Norfolk, Va., July 31.—Dexter Tiffany, a paymaster of the navy, is in the Naval Hospital at dislocated shoulder, received in a runaway accihorse, which took fright at a trolley car, ran away and threw Mr. Tiffany with great force to the street. He was unconscious for some time, and was taken to the Sarah Leigh Hos-

Hospital. It is believed he will recover. Mr. Tiffany, who is in charge of auxiliary accounts at the navy yard, was appointed from agreed to break camp. Mr. Smith declined to Missouri in 1809, and has been stationed here make complaint against him. since December, 1903.

pital, afterward being removed to the Naval

FARMS FOR HIBERNIAN POOR.

Valuable Land Bought by Ancient Order in South Dakota.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Sloux City, Iowa, July 31.-A dispatch from Yankton, S. D., says arrangements are practically completed for the purchase of South Dakota land worth from \$300,000 to \$500,000 by the Ancient Order of Hibernians for worthy poor of that order who desire to farm. The Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad has offered free transportation, and several hundred persons will probably be sent from the East soon. Father Dennady, of Aberdeen, Father Martyr of Flandresu, and Monsigner Flynn, of Madison, are leaders in the movement.

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JEROME WANTS TO STAY. SAFE CRACKERS GET \$4,000 BARON ROSEN, RUSSIAN PEACE ENVOY, AND JAMES WILSON, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

Taken by a Tribune photographer at the Oyster Bay station, after their return from the Presi-



DR. CLARKE COMMITTED. GANG RIOTS IN THEATRE.

Held for Trial.

Kingston, Jamaica, July 31.—The investigation before a magistrate to-day of the charge made against Dr. Franklin Clarke of wrongfully obtaining a photograph of the fortifications at Port Royal resulted in Dr. Clarke being committed to trial before the Circuit Court, which will be held about the end of next month.

A British non-commissioned officer who assisted him in gaining an entrance to the fortess will be court martialled.

Dr. Clarke, who is an American and a graduate of a medical school in Boston, was arrested at Kingston on July 17 for taking photographs of the forts. He went to Kingston last March.

REFUSES TO DRINK.

Even Under Orders. Arlington, July 31 (Special).-Alderman James

J. Donnelly, chairman of the police committee, last night ordered the Chief of Police, William Tolen, to have three of the force report at police headquarters in plain clothes. His order was obeyed, despite the absence of an explanation for such procedure. The patrolmen met tion for such procedure. The patrolmen met the alderman on time and were ordered to visit certain saloons to obtain evidence to be used Patrolman John Strauss, of the 51st-st. station. against the proprietors. Alderman Donnelly emphasized the fact that he would pay all the

One of the men, Patrolman McClung, refused to accompany the alderman, because his principles would not allow him to enter a saloon, to drink or smoke, as the town ordinance would be violated. He also contended that the aldermen had no authority over him, that he was only liable for his actions while on duty to Chief Tolen. McClung was told by the alderman that he was suspended, but he refused to take any cognizance of the suspension and reported last night and to-day for duty to Chief Tolen and was assiged to his beat.

Alderman Donnelly ordered Chanceman Bell to take McClung's place, and the first saloon visited was that of George Crick, on Duke-st. entered the saloon of A. Frederickson, in Johnson-ave., where it is said that drinks were served and actually drunk. After the trip had been completed notes were compared, and the evidence probably will be used in the prosecu-

SQUATTER ON FINE LANDS.

NAVY PAYMASTER HURT. Vagrant Made Himself at Home on Grounds of James D. Smith.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Stamford, Conn., July 31.-A man who seemed to be without home or visible means of support appeared last Thursday on the estate of James D. Smith, a New-York banker, who was once commodore of the New-York Yacht Club Portsmouth with a fractured skull and a badly and president of the Stock Exchange. Picking out a spot that was sheltered from the sun by dent this afternoon. He was driving a spirited a group of shade trees, he coolly proceeded to make himself at home. He improvised a tent and made preparations for a long stay,

Amused at first, Mr. Smith did not disturb the squatter, but yesterday he had to call the attention of the police department to the fellow. The man told the police he was John Daly, of State-st., Stamford, and after some persuasion

OSLER DISCIPLE A SUICIDE.

Connecticut Man Says He Is "Old and Useless"-Drowns Himself.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Stamford, Conn., July 31.-"I am old and useless there is nothing for me to live for," said William Roberts, eighty-six years old, of Sound Beach, Conn., on Saturday, to a friend. He did not return home for dinner, and his daughter asked the Stamford police to look for him, Late yesterday afternoon his body was brought

up from the Sound with grappling irons. He had waiked into the deep water to his death. Mr. Roberts leaves three daughters, Mrs. George Howland, of Mount Vernon; Mrs. J. Dale and Miss Kate Roberts, of Sound Beach, all of them in comfortable circumstances.

BURGLARY, THEFT AND LARCENY.

American Arrested as Spy in Jamaica Gallery Gods Become Noisy-Attack Police-One Arrest.

John Franklin, an ironworker of No. 976 2dave., supposed to be the ring leader of a gang of ruffians who have been annoying patrons of Proctor's 58th-st. theatre for several months, was locked up in the East 51st-st. station last night, after a desperate encounter with Proctor's special officer, Frank Sammon. Franklin and half a dozen others who escaped in the disorder that followed Sammon's efforts to eject Franklin were standing in the gallery of the theatre when the curtain went up on "The Gunner's Mate," obstructing the view of scores of men and women occupying gallery seats.

Those sitting asked the ruffians to sit down, but Franklin and his followers persisted in standing. They made bad worse, it is said, by shouting slurs about the play and policemen. Sammon hurried up from the balcony and rdered the gang be seated or get out. Frankim, it is alleged, used some vulgar epithets, then Sammon grabbed him by the coat collar and forced him down stairs.

Meanwhile the excitement had been such in the audience that the curtain was rung down. The gang followed Sammon and Franklin, and when Sammon was turning the balcony stairs with his prisoner, one of them grabbed his stick and strenk him on the head. Franklin then, it is said, struck Sammon in the face, and the en-

The gang escaped. The police say they know them, however, and expect to catch them. The play was continued after the disturbance had been quelled.

COCKRELL ON RATES.

Says Railroads Are Responsible for Sentiment Against Them. INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

Dayton, Ohio, July 31.—Former United States Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, was in this city today, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Edson Gal-laudett. He left here for Washington to-night. Mr. Cockrell referred to the work of the Inter-state Commerce Commission, of which he is member, saying that the railroads apparently are making an effort to mislead the public. There was no purpose, he declared, to delegate to the Inter-

What the proposed legislation sought was to con fer upon the commission the power, when com-plaint was made of unfair rates, to investigate, and, if the complaint was found to be warranted, to determine what rate would be reasonable and just for that particular case, and thereupon to fix that rate.

Concerning the probabilities of Congressional action Mr. Cockrell declined to commit himself. He did say, however, that for much of the public sentiment in favor of governmental ownership the railroads could hold themselves responsible.

THREE TO BE HANGED.

Father and Sons To Die for Murder of Two Children.

Valdosta, Ga., July 31.-Sentences of death were

passed upon J. G. Rawlings, Milton Rawlings and Jesse Rawlings to-night. The date of execution is The jury found J. G. Rawlings guilty of the mur

der of the two children of W. L. Carter. In the week preceding his conviction his three sons, Milton, Jesse and Leonard, had been convicted of the same crime, as had been their negro accomplice. Alf Moore, who turned State's evidence. When asked what he had to say why sentence

should not be passed J. G. Rawlings said:

"My conscience stands erect. You can no more pluck it than you can the brightness of the sun pluck it than you can the brightness of the sun.

The sentence can do no more than kill. Pass it."

Sentence was passed upon Milton, who accepted it without a word. When Jesse's sentence was read he leaned toward the Court and said:

"Not guilty," then burst into tears. Leonard Rawlings was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Frank Turner, the negro preacher charged with being accessory before the fact, was found guilty, with a recommendation of mercy. A motion for a with a recommendation of mercy.

with a recommendation of mercy. A motion for a new trial in the case of Rawlings was filed and September 9 fixed for the hearing. Alfred Moore will be sentenced to-morrow. A LOSING VENTURE FOR THE CZAR.

Yalu Enterprise Cost Him \$750,000, It is Said-Empresses Reimbursed.

London, Aug. 1.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph" says that the Emperor, the Empress and the Empress Dowager each invested \$750,000 in the Yalu timber enterprise. When the accounts were made up the whole of this money was found to be missing. Arrangements were then made to reimburse them from the war fund, but when this proposal was submitted to the Emperor he struck out his own name, leaving only the names of the two Empresses.

MRS. LONGSTREET HURT. WILSON SEES TRESIDENT.

Thrown from Spirited Horse and TO REFORM CROP BUREAU. Dragged Fifty Yards. .

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. Gainesville, Ga., July 31.-Mrs. Ida Longstreet, widow of the Confederate general, was thrown from her horse while out riding this afternoon. Her foot hung in the stirrup and she was dragged some distance before the animal came to a stand. Mrs. Longstreet's right arm was broken and her body was badly bruised.

She was mounted on a spirited horse and lost her seat when he violently shied at a passing automobile. For fifty yards the horse plunged | Department of Agriculture, to confer with the forward, Mrs. Longstreet being dragged along the ground. J. H. Campbell, who was riding department, and John W. Riddle, the new United with Mrs. Longstreet, spurred his horse into a run, overtook the frightened animal and brought

FERRYBOATS IN CRASH.

Hopatcong and Philadelphia in Collision in Midstream.

The police of the Charles-st. station report that at 11 20 o'clock the ferryboat Hopatcong of the Christopher-st. ferry- while crossing the North River was run into in midstream by the ferryboat Philadelphia of the Pennsylvania Railroad ferry. The damage to the Hopatcong is given at \$300. No one was hurt.

COTTON STRIKE LIKELY.

Lancashire Workmen Vote to Quit Work on August 19.

London, July 31 .- The Lancashire cotton operatives have decided, by an enormous majority, to strike on August "9 unless the advance of wages demanded by them is conceded. A strike would involve sixty thousand perosns.

ILL AT FIANCE'S DEATH.

Young Woman Unconscious Half an Hour After Hearing of It.

James A. Lowe, jr., of No. 100 West 11th-st., died yesterday at St. Vincent's Hospital of ureemic poisoning. He had been taken to the hospital on Sunday, having been knocked down by a cab at 6th-ave. and 9th-st. He sustained a few scalp wounds. The driver of the cab, James Reid, of No. 217 West 10th-st., was arrested and bailed for further examination by Magistrate Wahle in Jefferson Market court. Mr. Lowe was the son of Eugene M. Lowe and grandson of James A. Lowe. He was a

magazine writer and sketch artist. A woman, said by the physicians to have been Mr. Lowe's fiancée, called many times at the hospital since Mr. Lowe was taken there. Last night, when told that he was dead, she became so hysterical that Drs. McMahon and Bourke were more than half an hour in restoring her.

SHOT DEAD BY RIVAL.

Young Man Killed While Going to this board I think we shall have perfectly trust-See His Fiance.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBENE. Roanoke, Va., July 31.-Maurice Francis, a way to visit his fiancée, Miss Grace Link, in Floyd County, yesterday, was shot from ambush these possibilities. Then, too, it will insure perand killed. He was driving in a buggy, and was fect security and confidence within one mile of his destination, when two Secretary Wilson also said emphatically that loads of shot and slug hit him. He lived long he did not intend to resign under fire. vas John Richards, a young school teacher, who was a rival | dent's home, Secretary Wilson and Baron Rosen suitor for Miss Link's hand. Richards was seen | stood on the station platform and posed for their in the vicinity with a shotgun just before the murder, and has not been seen since. A posse is scouting the county searching for Richards, and lynching is openly threatened. Both men were members of well known families. Richards was a medical student at the Uni-versity of Virginia during the last session.

MILLIONS LOST IN SUGAR.

M. Jaluzot Said To Be Out \$3,000,-000-Two Houses Suspend.

Paris, July 31.-Owing to the failure of a big speculator to meet engagements, said to amount to \$3,000,000, two of the leading sugar houses have suspended payments.

state Commerce Commission the power to initiate According to advices received in Wall Street rates for transportation. That power Congress yesterday. M. Jaluzot, the proprietor of the could exercise, although he was not certain that it Printemps stores and owner of the newspapers "Patrie" and "Presse," lost 16,000,000 francs in the sugar crash on the Commercial Ex-

KING EDWARD'S GIFT TO PRESIDENT.

Sir Purdon Clarke Deputed to Present Works on Art-Director Decorated.

London, July 31.-King Edward to-day received Sir Purdon Clarke, director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art at New-York, and gave him an audience extending over forty-five minutes. The King bestowed upon Sir Purdon the Victorian Order, in acknowledgment of his services, and deputed him to present to Presi dent Roosevelt, on his arrival in the United States, his majesty's gift, copies of all the works that have been published concerning royal art

King Edward made several inquiries of Sir Purdon regarding the scope of the proposed im-provements at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and wished him every success in his new ap-pointment. The King said he would watch the development of the Metropolitan with great in-

"CANADA SOLDIERS" WRECK TRAIN. Insects Blamed for Throwing Cars from Railway Track.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.) Cleveland, Ohio, July 31.-A species of insect known as "Canada soldiers" are supposed to have known as "Canada soldiers" are supposed to have caused the Lake Shore electric express car wreck, near Clifton Boulevard, Sunday, in which George Searles, the motorman, of North Dover, was killed. The car jumped the track at a curve. All about there a swarm of the winged pest had settled down on the rails. The crushed insects are thought to have made the rails so slippery that the car could not keep the track.

GRADE CROSSING ACCIDENT FATAL. Train Kills Woman-Daughter Injured,

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.) Ogdensburg, N. Y., July 31.-News reached here to-night of a grade crossing accident yesterday, near Mount Forest, Ont. Mrs. Felix Curran and her twenty-year-old daughter were driving over a crossing, when a passenger train ran then down, it was found that Mrs. Curran was dead. Her daughter was badly bruised about the head and body. Miss Curran will probably dis.

Baron Rosen Makes Arrangements

for Reception of M. Witte.

INT TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. Oyster Bay, July 31.-President Roosevelt received Baron Rosen, the Russian Ambassad this afternoon, and set Friday afternoon for the call of Count Witte, the Czar's principal pence plenipotentlary. On the same train that brough the Ambassador came Secretary Wilson, of the President regarding recent developments in his States Minister to Rumania, who wished to pay his respects to the President before starting for his post. Later in the afternoon Ralph Peters, president of the Long Island Railrond, called at Sagamore Hill.

Secretary Wilson will thoroughly reorganize he Crop Statistics Eureau. He is seeking men of character; standing and education to conduct the work of the bureau-men in whom the farmers and merchants of the country will have implicit confidence, and who will place the reports of the bureau on a standard of excellence never before attained. He has found one man already, although he does not at present wish to give his name. The others he hopes to secure in a short time. Two of them will be Southern men, who are experts in cotton, and tobacco statistics. This, in brief, is the plan the secretary explained to the President to-day. He is making a rigid investigation of other bureaus of the department, his determination being to purge it of any taint of corruption. In this work he has the approval of the Fresident, who has ordered that every form of "graft" must be eliminated.

After his conference with the President, Secretary Wilson announced that the Bureau of Statistics, which has charge of the department forecasts and reports, will no longer be under the control of one man.

NEW CROP STATISTICS BOARD. "his is entirely new" he said, "and never has

been published. It is my intention to create a board, with Assistant Secretary Hays at its head, which shall handle all crop statistics. I appointed a board a little while ago, the members of which handle the statistics individually and turn in their results to me or Mr. Hays. The present board is a sort of makeshift affair, It was the best we could organize in a hurry from the people in the department. It is my in tention to organize a board of four men, two of whom will be from the South. The other two will be from other parts of the country. They will be the best men we can find in the country-men of character, standing and education. They will be scientific experts in whom the country will have absolute confidence. All reports will be sent to me from the field, and I will place them at the proper time in the hands of these scientists. Each will make up his estimate, and the four estimates will be resolved either by me or by Assistant Secretary Hays. The members of the board will be regular employes of the department, and they will spend some of their time in travelling in search of any information that may bear on their work. Through the work of worthy estimates made of all crop conditions. This plan will be better than that providing for only one man at the head of the Bureau of Crop Statistics. That one man might leave the dewell known young man of this city, while on his partment, he might get sick or he might prove to be a rascal. This idea eliminates any of

After returning to the village from the Presipictures at the request of a Tribune photogra-

M. WITTE TO BE RECEIVED FRIDAY. 3

"I had a very pleasant visit and luncheon with President Roosevelt," said Baron Rosen, "but have no news to give out except that Count Witte will be here on Friday. The President will receive him after noon, and has invited him to luncheon. Secretary Wilson talked a few minutes to the

"As to what passed between the President and

myself. I'll have to refer you to him." he said. "If the President sends for a fellow to see him about something it would not be very delicate for that fellow to go around and tell all about their interview."

newspaper men before boarding the train.

"You probably discussed the cotton investigation and the nitro-culture incident?" said one of the correspondents. "We discussed everything that required dis-

cussion," said the Secretary. THE COTTON LEAK SCANDAL.

"Can't you give us any more light on your investigation?" he was asked.

"You know about all there is to tell," he replied. "The cotton trouble all came to the surface through a squabble between gamblers over a woman. I cannot admit that our system of gathering statistics is at fault. If I said that it would be an indictment against every man, every reporter, who helps get up our report by sending in the figures. We believe that all our reporters are honest, and have no fault to find with their figures. The whole cotton trouble was caused by Hyde and Holmes taking those figures and making erroneous deductions from them. During the investigation the board appointed to search the matter found that when they footed up the figures they got a result differing to the extent of about 31/2 per cent from

the deductions made by Hyde and Holmes." "Is it a fact that you knew Mr. Hyde was to take a vacation before he went?" the Secre-

tary was asked. "I knew he was going, but I didn't know that he was going as far away as Europe," Mr.

Wilson replied. "His wife says, does she not, that he was obliged to go on account of his failing health. and that it was only through her most urgent efforts that she was able to get him to take the

"I got a letter from Mrs. Hyde setting forth that as a fact," said the Secretary, "I turned the letter over to the Department of Justice. "How many cases have you now before the Attorney General's department?"

Moore's. And Moore's was merely referred to the Department of Justice as a matter of form. I am very sorry about Moore. He is a valuable man and has done splendid work in the department. I'm sorry to have to part with him."

"Only two; Hyde's and Holmes's-except

"Does any blame attach to either Professor Galloway or Mr. Woods for not acquainting you with the facts about Moore's business connec-

tions?" REGRETS TO LOSE MOORE.

"No more than attaches to me in the Holman and Hyde case," replied the Secretary, "They just didn't know. I didn't know. It's a pretty difficult thing, let me tell you, to know every-